

I oppose loosening the rules designed to promote and protect diversity of media ownership. These rules were adopted to ensure that the public would receive a diverse range of viewpoints from the media, and not simply the opinions of a handful of media conglomerates.

I believe that in a capitalistic society, competition is essential for democracy and serves as a check and balance to ensure fair business practices between businessmen. Regulations are necessary to protect fair competition among all members of an industry and to prevent complete control of that industry by a handful of companies. Please preserve the current regulations of the Telecommunications Acts of 1934 and 1996 in order to maintain competition, diversity, and democracy among our media outlets.